#### PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of Docket No: Q96991

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For: AGGREGATE OF EYEBALLS OF CRUSTACEANS, METHOD FOR USING THE SAME, FOOD CONTAINING THE SAME AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

# MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required. However, since a Statement can be made, a Statement is submitted herewith.

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed thirty days or fewer from the

communication from a foreign patent office and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.704(d) is attached.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application (Supplementary European Search Report dated December 4,

2008) citing such documents indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

Also, English language abstracts, submitted herewith, constitute concise statements of relevance

for JP-A-4-77600, JP-A-4-88963, and JP-A-63-167764.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any

listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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